

American Council of Engineering Companies of Connecticut

## TESTIMONY BEFORE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION REGARDING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROTECTING TRANSPORTATION FUNDING February 27, 2017

I am James Fuda, President of the American Council of Engineering Companies of Connecticut (ACEC/CT), representing over 90 engineering firms providing independent engineering services to the public and private sector.

On behalf of ACEC/CT, I would like offer our members support for all measures that would ensure that transportation-related revenues are deposited in the Special Transportation Fund and that those funds are used for transportation purposes only. ACEC/CT supports an amendment to the State Constitution that protects transportation funding.

Considering the Governor's *Let's Go CT* transportation initiative, the Department of Transportation is faced with a tremendous list of projects that must be planned, designed, constructed and inspected. These projects are necessary to ensure the safety of the traveling public and form the basis of economic development and growth in Connecticut.

Thank you for your consideration.

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